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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-June, through Sunday, 26th-June there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5R, MADAGASCAR

Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from **Saint Marie Island (AF-090)** between November 15th and December 17th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and

PSK63, and using 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). View pictures of his last trips at:

http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

5Z, KENYA

Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Kenya between November 20th and December 3rd. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is the Diani Beach at the coast- line of Kenyanear Mombasa. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more details and updates, visit:

http://www.dl7df.com/5z/index.html

6V, SENEGAL

Seb, F8IJV, will once again be active as 6V7Q from Le Calao resort in Senegal between October 22nd and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW too. He plans to take an Acom 1011 amplifier with him this time. Seb will also be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON

Victor, VA2WDQ, will be active as FP/VA2WA from Miquelon (IOTA NA-032) between July 7-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mostly CW with some SSB (on the 17/12m bands). His main goal is to participate in the IARU HF Championship (July 9-10th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/CW/Low-Power entry. He will use a Kenwood TS-590S and probably one small transistors PA. Antennas will be verticals. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL once he returns home.

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND (Update)

According to thier Web page, Jorge, HK1R, have made plans to use the vessel "SEA WOLF" to sail the team to Malpelo for the 2012 HK0NA DXpedition. This ship makes frequent authorized sailings to Malpelo for diving expeditions and has accommodations for 16 people in independent rooms with air conditioning and bathroom. The Web page states, "Based on the conversations with them and the visits schedule by the Environmental Authority which controls the Island Access our most probable sailing date will be February 15, 2012."

The team currently consists of Jorge/HK1R (Team Leader), Jahm/HK1T, Pedro/HK1X, Franz/DJ8ZB, Bolmar/HK1MW, Jaime/HK1N, Alexis/YV5SSB/6, Olli/OH0XX, Pedro/HK3JJH, Gregg/W6IZT, Dr.San/K5YY and Bob/K4UEE. The current QSL info is as follows: "

The HK0NA DXpedition will support an on-line QSL service. The details of this service will be published once finalized. We will also support QSL'ing direct and our QSL manager information will be published prior to our departure. We will not accept cards through the bureau. Request for cards to be returned via the bureau can be made via our online QSL service at no charge." For more details and updates, visit the HK0NA Web pages at:

http://hk0na.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS

AS-102. Operators BM5AAX, BV1EL, BV2DD, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT, BX2AB, BX2ABL, BX4AF, BX5AA, JH3GCN and 9M6YBG will be active as BV100 from **Kigmen Island**, Taiwan, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via BV2KI. For QSL info, operating schedule, log and award information, please visit their Web site at:

http://www.bv100.tw/EN

EU-038. Operators Rene/ON6OM, Eddy/ON6ZV and Martin/ON7EG will be active as PA/ON4IPA from **Texel Island** between July 2-8th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31-63-125. QSL via ON6ZV. For more details, see:

http://www.qsl.net/on6om/pa-on4ipa-eu038

EU-048. Operators Remi/F0GHK, Michel/F1SRC, Jean-Yves/F4EHM, Mickael/ F4FFZ, Gwena/F4FHZ, Chris/F5CBQ and Jean-François/F6DZD will be active as TM2BI from **Belle Ile** (DIFM AT015) between July 28th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-2 meters with an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via F6KPQ.

NA-039/ Since the Russian Robinson Club members rescheduled (RRC)
NA-070. their DXpedition to **St. Matthew Island** (see **NA-232**) to 2012, Yuri, N3QQ, will now activate **Adak Island (NA-039)** starting July 28th, as KL7RRC, and also participate during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). If he can find transportation, Yuri will also go to **Rat Islands (NA-070)** and operate as KL7RRC/p until August 8th, weather permitting. Activity from both locations will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N7RO, EU stations via UA9OBA.

NA-152. Chuck, KL7OH, has plans to activate **Sarichef Island** between August 1-15th. He will use 100 watts into a Carolina Windom. Dates are subject to change.

NA-232. (New IOTA Rescheduled!) Yuri, N3QQ, and other Russian Robinson Club members who were expected to activate **St. Matthew Island**, Alaska, as KL7RRC this summer, have now rescheduled their operation in 2012 (July 25th-August 15th). According to their Web page, the team has received the official permission from U.S.F.W.S. to go the island. Tim, NL8F, in Dutch Harbour, is currently looking for alternative transportation options. They mention that they have several spaces available on the boat and if you would like to participate in the expedition to St. Matthew Island, please Contact Yuri Zaruba, UA9OBA via **QRZ.ru** or send E-mail to **n3qq@NA-234.com**. For more details and updates, visit:

http://www.na-234.com

NA-242. Operators Rick/K6VVA and Mike/K9AJ will activate for the first time ever **Point Lay Barrier Island** as K6VVA/KL7 between July 22-26th. QSL route is ONLY via N6AWD (direct or by the Bureau) - DO NOT send QSLs to K6VVA!!! Activity will be primarily CW on 40/30/20/17 meters. Dates may change slightly depending upon local WX. The objective is a minimum of 3 days of activity within the indicated date range. There is a slight possibility for a brief **NA-172** activation as K9AJ/KL7 right after **NA-242** before they leave the North Slope of

Alaska. Updates will be posted to the "Latest News" section of the NA-242 Expedition Web site:

http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na242

Due to the possibility of polar bears at NA-242, they have purchased electric bear fences, bear spray, and must hire one or more local "Bear Guards" with heavy firepower for 24/7 protection. This will be a dangerous and extremely costly IOTA expedition -- due mostly to the air transport- ation of equipment. NA-242 in July is "The Main Event" after K6VVA warmup expeditions to **NA-184** (April), **NA-066** (May with NI6T) and **NA-091** (June with W6NV).

J7, DOMINICA

Mike, VE2XB, will be active as J79XB from **Dominica (NA-101)** starting July 6th for several weeks. Activity will be on all bands and possibly 6m. QSL via VE2XB (**(QRZ.com)** address). **ADDED NOTE:** Mike informs OPDX that he will be heading to FP-land in August or Sept with a beam and an amp.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 27th-July 3rd)

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Jun  27    HN-AN       SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jun  28    AN          --------------------
Jun  29    AN          BN - Below Normal
Jun  30    AN          AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul  01    AN          LN - Low Normal
Jul  02    AN          HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul  03    AN          DIS  - Disturbed
                       VDIS - Very Disturbed

  GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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  QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
          0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
  UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
          7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
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KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA

Currently, plans are being made for a DXpedition to American Samoa (KH8) to take place between November 17-28th, inclusive for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) possibly as a SOAB, Multi- Single, or Multi-2 category. Callsign mentioned is K8A. Operators will be Scott/W4PA (owner of VIBROPLEX) and others. According to DX Magazine, KH8 American Samoa is now in the top 50 "Most Wanted Countries" in Europe on CW, digital modes, and the low bands. North American low band demand for KH8 will be substantial. According to DX Summit, the last spot on 160m for a KH8 operation was in 2006. The K8A operation will focus on CW and digital mode operation with the intent of reducing the overall DX demand from Europe and the need for low band counters in North America and elsewhere. The contest operation is secondary to the overall DXpedition goal of reducing worldwide CW and digital mode demand for KH8 as a DXCC counter. More details should be forthcoming.

M0, ENGLAND (Special Event)

Phil, G3SWH, will be active on CW only using the special callsign M0RSE over the weekend of July 2-3rd. Activity will be on all bands from 80-10 meters. All QSOs are welcome. There is more information available at:

http://www.m0rse.org

Look for the logs to be uploaded to LoTW after the operation.

MARITIME DX FORUM (MDF)

Just a reminder that the Martime DX Forum will take place in Halifax, Nova Scotia, between August 5-6th, with an out- standing program including: John/ON4UN, Reg/VE7IG, Scott/W3TX, Tim/ VE6SH and George/G4GRN/VE1GRN. However, for the first time they are also offering an opportunity for those living outside Canada's Maritime Provinces, and unable to join them in person, to participate in a Webinar version of the MDF. The Webinar presentation will happen in real time and allow participants to hear the speakers, view their visual material, and see the activity at the venue. The Webinar software system allows on-line participants to ask questions and make comments. Those living in time zones where joining them in real time is difficult will be able to download the program and view it at a convenient time. Program and registration details are on their Web site at:

http://www.halifax-arc.org/mdf

PACIFIC DX NET (Time Change)

Bill, VK4FW, informs OPDX that the Pacific DX Net meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (UTC day) on 14183 kHz at 0730 UTC. Net controllers will be VK4AN and VK7XX. Other net controllers are required, so if you would like to help, please contact Eddie, VK4AN at: **vk4an@pacific-dxers.com**

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA (Update/Reminder)

Marcelo, PY2FN, will be active as PY0FO from **Fernando de Noronha (SA-003)** between July 2-9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW only. He will use a Crushcraft R8 for 40-6m and possibly dipoles for 160/80m. Suggested frequencies are: 1814, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24894, 28014 and 50094 kHz. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Visit Marcelo's Web site at:

http://www.py0fo.com.br

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 26th)
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3A/IW1RBI via IW1RBI          IK2/DL60ZBN via DL6IP     SX0A via SV2GWY
4O/YO3AS via YO3AS            IT9/DH2UAK via DH2UAK     SY2DIO via SZ2RCP
5B/RN3QO via N2UCK            J48O via SV2FPU           SY7SOG via SV7FSK
5W1SA via JA1DXA              JW9DL via LA9DL           SY2011BAY via SV7BAY
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ              K8HX/KH2 via JE1HXZ       SY2011JJZ via SV7JJZ
9A/DL6FAH via DL6FAH          NU2K/KH2 via JA2JWH       T8YN via JE1SYN
9A/S59AA via S59AA            OH0B via OH2BH            T80T via JP1IOF
CO4SM via HA3JB (direct only) OK/DH7WW via DH7WW        T88ZA via JA0BJR
EG5HSJ via EA5RKB             PJ7MF via IZ1MHY          TK/F5BUU via F5BUU
EG7EPC via EA7URS             PP6DX via PY7RP           TM30ARAD via F6KTM
HB0/DG1SFJ via DG1SFJ         SD1B/5 via DL8AAV         UF6VG via RZ3DO
HB0/DL4MP via DL4MP           SM/OE4PFU via OE4PFU      V25DD via K9UK
HG650D via HA0KA              SO1CC via DL1CC          XE1/VE7BDI via VE7BDI
HL23 via DS5SWL               SU9BN via EA7FTR          XU7DDD via JA2VWG
HR9/WQ7R via K5WW             SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD     YP0CD via YO5BFJ
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PZ5P QSL STATUS (USA). Vladislav, UA4LU, reports that "it is impossible to deliver to the addressee" the many direct QSLs sent to him from the USA for Serge's, RX3APM, April PZ5P activity. No real reason was given. He states to all the guys in the USA, if you did not receive a direct QSL via UA4LU, to please E-mail him at **ua4lu@mail.ru** for possibly having your QSL sent via the Bureau system.

S79UFT QSL STATUS. Maurice, F5NQL, reports that Norbert, F6AXX, states all direct QSL cards for the recent S79UFT operation (March/April 2011), received up to June 19th, have been answered and mailed.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M2/KM9D, D44TUO, HC6EP, J79FCG, MS0INT, P43E, PJ2BVU, PJ6D, RV6ALI, S51MA, SA1A, SX3B, T5X, V25DD, V31XX, V44KAI, YI1RZ, YV4DYJ and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2A, 4A4A, 5M2TT, 9H1XT, BU2AI, CN8NK, CY0/K8LEE, CY0/N0TG, CY0/N1SN, DU9RG, F9IE/VK3/P, HH2/HB9AMO, HH2/PA5M, J79FCG, JD1BMH, KG4EM, TG9NX, TJ3AY, TL0A, V44KJ, V5/DK1CE, VK9NN, VP2EMR, VP5/AC8W, VP8DMH/P, VP8ORK and ZK2A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3V3S, 5I3A, 5N7M, 9J3A, 9K2/SP4R, AI5P/VK9N, C21DL, DP1POL, FK/AI5P, FO/DL3APO, FR/F5UOW, FS/K9EL, NU1AW/KH6, OJ0W, OX8XX, T32AJ, TF/DL2JRM, TO3R, V5/DK1CE, VK9XX, VP8DIF, YI9PSE, YJ0MXJ, YJ0PX, Z21DXI, ZK3OU and ZK3YA

SILENT KEY

Alan, VK4AAR, informs OPDX that Dan Holloway, VK8AN, became a "Silent Key" (SK) last Monday, June 20th. Dan has had serious illnesses over the last several years but passed away due to severe pneumonia. Alan states, "I was proud to be Dan's QSL Manager for his numerous IOTA Dxpeditions to various island groups in Australian coastal waters His major long lasting effort was to **Troughton Island (OC-154)**, from the 1990's until he went QRT from there until his last paper log entry at 1240z, 9th September, 2003. Dan is survived by his widow, Marion and many friends, both hams and others. He leaves his many family members who still live in Santa Barbara, CA." OPDX and its readers would like to sent out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of VK8AN.

T6, AFGHANISTAN

Steve, W6EOD, is on active as T6SH (not T6EOD as first thought) from the Helmand Province. Activity will has been on 40 and 20 meters CW only, and using a KX1 and wire vertical. Steve is expected to be there until November. QSL via K1BV.

TF, ICELAND

Oleksiy, VE2XAA, will be active as TF/VE2XAA between July 6-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, plus include an entry in the IARU HF Championship (July 9-10th) as TF4X. QSL TF/VE2XAA via his home callsign, and TF4X via G3SWH.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS

An international team of operators will be active from Hatiheu, **Nuku Hiva (OC-027)** between

October 19-30th. Activity will be on all bands and modes, including an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operations mentioned are on 160-010 meters (including 30/17/12m bands) on CW, SSB and RTTY, using 4 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. The following callsigns will be used:

TX3T Activity between October 16-19th and November 1-4th, will be from **Papeete, Tahiti (OC-046)** -- before and after their Marquesas operation.
TX7M The main callsign for their activity between October 19th and November 1st, will be from Hatiheu, **Nuku Hiva (OC-027)**, Marquesas Island.
TX5A Their callsign for the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Hatiheu, **Nuku Hiva (OC-027)**, Marquesas Island.

Operators mentioned are Oleg/R3FA (leader), Alex/UT5UY (co-leader), Michel/FO5QB, Sergey/UX0HX, Max/UZ1HZ, Alex/US0KW, Andy/UU4JMG, Alex/ UX0LL, Andy/RK7A, Leo/UA7A and Andy/RA6LBS. QSL Manager is Eugene, RZ3EC. There are three options to QSL - Bureau (using the OQRS), direct to QSL Manager and LoTW (All QSO(s) data will be placed into LoTW after Expedition is over). There is a survey available on their Web page for bands/modes needs. The team is looking for sponsors. For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at:

http://www.tx7m.com

VQ5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

Operators Bill/KX4WW, Noll/W9RN and Doug/ W4OX will be active as VQ5X during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operation class TBD. QSL via W4OX or LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA

Hiroo, JA2VWG, is expected to operate as XU7DDD from Sihanoukville between now and June 28th. Activity will be mainly on the HF bands and SSB. However, he is taking a 6 meter antenna. QSL via JA2VWG direct only.

YJ, VANUATU

Andy, P29CS, is now active as YJ8A from **Efate Island (OC-035)** until July 17th. QSL via M0URX.

YN, NICARAGUA

Mike, AJ9C, will be active from here between November 24th and December 5th. Callsign will be announced later. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Also, look for him to be in the ARRL 160m Contest.

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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